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See attached.

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Primary Examiner

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#### **DETAILED ACTION**

### Non-Responsive Amendment

The reply filed on 7/30/04 is not fully responsive to the prior Office Action because of the following omission(s) or matter(s):

The submitted terminal disclaimer fails list all U.S. patents justifying the double patenting rejection.

In the first office action, the examiner rejected claims 1-19 under the judicially created doctrine of obviousness-type double patenting as being unpatentable over:

- (1) claims 1-59 of U.S. Patent No. 6,614,003;
- (2) claims 1-59 of U.S. Patent No. 6,420,681;
- (3) claims 1-59 of U.S. Patent No. 6,329,637; and
- (4) claims 1-59 of U.S. Patent No. 6,121,576

In response, applicant timely submitted a terminal disclaimer that disclaimed the terminal portion of the term of any patent granted on the instant application beyond U.S. Patent 6,121,576 only. However, applicant did not make such a disclaimer with respect to the other three patents listed above. Consequently, the terminal disclaimer does not overcome the double patenting rejection.

To successfully obviate the rejection, applicant must reexecute the terminal disclaimer and list all four patents thereon.

Since the above-mentioned reply appears to be bona fide, applicant is given

ONE (1) MONTH or THIRTY (30) DAYS from the mailing date of this notice, whichever

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is longer, within which to supply the omission or correction in order to avoid abandonment. EXTENSIONS OF THIS TIME PERIOD MAY BE GRANTED UNDER 37 CFR 1.136(a). See 37 CFR 1.111.

#### Conclusion

Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to John A. Jeffery whose telephone number is (703) 306-4601. The examiner can normally be reached on Monday - Thursday from 7:00 AM to 4:30 PM. The examiner can also be reached on alternate Fridays.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Robin Evans, can be reached on (703) 305-5766. All faxes should be sent to the centralized fax number at (703) 872-9306.

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JOHN A. JEFFERY PRIMARY EXAMINER

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